Example Display of Criteria Evaluation Results: Biological Criteria for Covered Fish Species "X"

Location in Handout #1 Options Evaluation Outline: Section 7.0 Comparison of the Options

Criterion	Effects/Certainty Level			
	Option 1	**Option 2**	**Option 3**	**Option 4**
1. Relative degree to which the Option would reduce species mortality attributable to non-natural mortality sources, in order to enhance production (reproduction, growth, survival), abundance, and distribution for each of the covered fish species (BDCP Conservation Objective).	●●/2	●/3	●●●/2	●●●/4
2. Relative degree to which the Option would provide water quality and flow conditions necessary to enhance production (reproduction, growth, survival) , abundance, and distribution for each of the covered fish species (BDCP Conservation Objective).	●●●/4	●●/2	●/3	●●●/1
3. Relative degree to which the Option would increase habitat quality, quantity, accessibility, and diversity in order to enhance and sustain production (reproduction, growth, survival), abundance, and distribution; and to improve the resiliency of each of the covered species' populations to environmental change and variable hydrology (BDCP Conservation Objective).	○/2	○○○/4	●/1	●●/2
4. Relative degree to which the Option would increase food quality, quantity, and accessibility (e.g., phytoplankton, zooplankton, macro-invertebrates, forage fish) to enhance production (reproduction, growth, survival) and abundance for each of the covered fish species (BDCP Conservation Objective).	●/4	○○/1	●●●/3	●/2
5. Relative degree to which the Option would reduce the abundance of non-native competitors and predators to increase native species production (reproduction, growth, survival), abundance and distribution for each of the covered fish species (BDCP Conservation Objective).	●●●/3	●●●/2	●/4	○/4
6. Relative degree to which the Option improves ecosystem processes in the BDCP planning area to support aquatic and associated habitats (BDCP Conservation Objective).	●/1	●●/3	●●/2	●●●/3
Beneficial Effects: ● = low ●● = moderate ●●● = high **Adverse Effects:** ○ = low ○○ = moderate ○○○ = high	**Certainty Level: 4** = High **3** = Moderate **2** = Low **1** = little or no certainty **Note:** Effects and certainty level definitions will be provided in report text.			